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COAL MINES IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) Whether mining work as proposed in 5-6 mines in Chimur Tehsil of Chandrapur District of Maharashtra has started;

(b)If so, the facts of the matter in this regard;

(c)The reasons for delay in starting the work at other mines;

(d)The time by which all these mines are proposed to be started and the quantity of coal likely to be extracted from them and the profit likely to be earned from them;

(e) The decision of the Government in this regard ; and

(f) The latest position of Murpa coal mine and the quantity of coal being extracted from this Mine ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL AND MINES (Dr. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (e): Murpar underground mine in Chimur Tehsil of Chandrapur District was opened by Western Coalfields Limited after geological exploration of Murpar block. The mine is incurring heavy loss due to difficult geo-mining conditions. In addition, occurrence of coal has been found in another 5 geological blocks where also geo-mining conditions are very adverse. In view of adverse techno-economics of these coal deposits, there is no immediate proposal to open new mines in these blocks.

(f): Coal production in Murpar Underground Mine is in progress and presently it is producing on an average 200 to 250 Tonnes per day.